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## H. R. 96

To amend section 302 of the PROTECT Act to modify the standards for the issuance of alerts through the AMBER Alert communications network.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 4, 2005

Mr. GRAVES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Tory Jo’s Loophole  
5       AMBER Response Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR ISSUANCE AND DIS-**  
7                       **SEMINATION OF ALERTS THROUGH AMBER**  
8                       **ALERT COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK.**

9       Section 302(b) of the PROTECT Act (42 U.S.C.  
10       5791a(b)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

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1           “(5) The minimum standards shall, to the max-  
2           imum extent practicable (as determined by the Coor-  
3           dinator in consultation with State and local law en-  
4           forcement agencies), allow local law enforcement of-  
5           ficials to issue, and to provide for the dissemination  
6           of, an alert through the AMBER Alert communica-  
7           tions network to facilitate the recovery of an ab-  
8           ducted newborn.”.

9   **SEC. 3. DEFINITION.**

10          Title III of the PROTECT Act (42 U.S.C. 5791 et  
11   seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

12   **“SEC. 306. DEFINITION.**

13          “For purposes of this title, the term ‘child’ means—

14               “(1) an individual under 18 years of age; or

15               “(2) a newborn.”.

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